

## Interview Summary

Application No.  
09/132,156

Applicant(s)  
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Examiner  
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Group Art Unit  
1631



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview Jan 16, 2002

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 59-89

Identification of prior art discussed:

N/A

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) N/A

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

We discussed the written basis for the presently claimed invention in claims 59-89 in parent application serial number 07/534,029. Several specific limitations of said instant claims were discussed with the most important being directed to a thermal mass (low) characterization for the sample holder in the claims regarding priority to said parent with the purpose of overcoming any prior art rejection based on intermediate art, between the instant filing date and that of said priority document. Applicants are expected to file a response which clarifies several written bases in order to result in a granting of priority to said parent 07/534,029.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.